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## **PINWHEELS: A NEW WAY TO LOOK AT CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION** Pinwheel Garden Recognizes Efforts to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect

**ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (April 13, 2012)—On Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Halifax Regional joined thousands of communities throughout North Carolina and the nation in recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month with a pinwheel garden.**

The pinwheel is the new symbol of child abuse prevention, representing community efforts to provide children with the safe, stable, nurturing relationships they need for healthy development. Halifax Regional employees and their children, Girl Scout Troop #3406 of Roanoke Rapids and Hannah's Place employees planted the pinwheels on the front lawn at Halifax Regional. Audrey Hardy, both an employee of Halifax Regional and a board member for Hannah's Place welcomed those who attended the event.

"Healthy child development is the foundation for community and economic development," said Amy Joseph, RN, Birthing Center Manager at Halifax Regional. "The pinwheels represent our hope that all of the children in our community have the stable, loving relationships they need to become successful adults who contribute to our community."

For more information about the Halifax Regional Pinwheel Garden contact Amy Joseph at [ajoseph@halifaxrmc.org](mailto:ajoseph@halifaxrmc.org) or 252-535-8701.

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